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SUBJECT: KAZAKHSTAN CONSIDERING ITS COMMITTEE ON THE
ELIMINATION OF RACIAL DISCRIMINATION VOTE

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On November 21, Poloff delivered reftel demarche to Almbek Demesinov, MFA Director for U.N. Affairs. Demesinov called Ambassador Prosper's credentials impressive but said that Kazakhstan is not yet ready to confirm its support of any candidate. Demesinov promised to contact Poloff in December after Kazakhstan has further considered Ambassador Prosper's candidacy. Post is also delivering reftel points and Ambassador Prosper's CV by diplomatic note.
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